

CHAPTER NO. 968

HOUSE BILL NO. 2123

By Representative Buck

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2885

By Senator Person

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16, Chapter 15, Part 50, relative to warrants used in courts of general sessions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16, Chapter 15, Part 50, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

Section 16-15-500_. The administrative office of the courts, in consultation with the general sessions judges conference, court clerks' association, the sheriffs' association and the association of chiefs of police, shall by October 1, 2000, design and promulgate a uniform general sessions court warrant. The purpose of such warrant is to make uniform the information contained on the warrant so that the administrative office of the courts can compile accurate data on cases in general sessions courts across the state and to make the transfer of the warrant or information contained thereon to the administrative office of the courts as quick and efficient as possible.

Upon such warrant being promulgated, it shall be used exclusively in all general sessions courts and other courts when exercising general sessions court jurisdiction.

Provided, however, in general sessions courts that use a warrant containing substantially the same information as that contained on the uniform warrant and where warrant information collected by the administrative office of the courts is collected and maintained electronically by the general sessions court clerk, a non uniform warrant may be used.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: June 6, 2000


JIMMY RAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 21st day of June 2000


DON CONQUIST, GOVERNOR